

Mistrial Declared in Dr. Edwards' Case;
Jury Stood Eleven to One For Acquittal;
Solicitor Will Fight Motion for Release

Bessemer, Ala., Feb. 3.—One lone juror stood between Dr. George T. Edwards and freedom, it developed this afternoon after a mistrial had been declared in the case of the Fairfield physician, charged with wife murder. For nearly three days the vote of the jury had stood eleven to one for acquittal.

"It would have stayed that way until doomsday, before I would have voted against my convictions," said Frank J. Stuckey, who stuck to the last for a short prison sentence for Edwards.

Judge J. C. B. Gwin called the jury out shortly after noon Tuesday. It had been considering the case since 12:35 Saturday after a six-day trial.

The first two ballots stood ten to two for acquittal. Foreman Norman E. Thompson voting for conviction. Thereafter it was Stuckey, a brick-mason, against the crowd.

The long confinement told on the tempers of the jurors and the Tuesday morning session is said to have been a stormy one. Several times, it was said, personal difficulties were evaded with difficulty.

The stand of a majority of the jury for acquittal will probably lead to release of Dr. Edwards on bond. George Ross, attorney for the doctor, said on Tuesday afternoon that he was planning to institute court proceedings with that end in view. Just when he would do it, he did not know. Dr. Edwards has now been in jail since December 2, the day his young wife was slain while asleep in their Fairfield home.

Dr. Edwards was manifestly disappointed when the jury told Judge Gwin that hope of agreement was impossible. But he brightened considerably when told later by newspaper men how the jury had stood. "That's good, you couldn't expect more than that." And he added that he certainly appreciated the way his friends had stood by him during the trial.

The members of the jury, unshaved, weary to the marrow, wanted nothing so much as to get away from the courthouse and go home for a shave and a bath. But one, Gilbert Meadows, stopped long enough to explain the voting and to say that one fact which helped the defense although it was not brought out in the trial was the finding of bloodstains on the inside of the sleeve of the bathrobe worn by Dr. Edwards on the night of the killing.

The state had contended that Dr. Edwards was wearing the bathrobe when the murder was committed, instead of, as he said, it being donned after he had been shot by an unknown intruder.

Deputy Solicitor Ben Perry refused to be downcast by the outcome. "We'll have more evidence next time," he said significantly. "Will you show a motive?" he was asked. "We'll see," was all he said.

Perry to Oppose Doctor's Motion; to Renew Fight.

Bessemer, Ala., Feb. 3.—Motion for bail for Dr. George T. Edwards, held by the state under an indictment charging him with murder of his wife, Mrs. Annie Lou Edwards, will be the next move of his counsel, it was reported here Tuesday afternoon following failure of a jury trying Dr. Edwards to agree.

Had the vote been close, or fairly evenly divided, the defense would not have considered such a move, it was said, but with the final ballot standing 11 to 1 for acquittal just before dismissal, it is believed in courthouse circles that the

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INSTALL NEW BATTERY
CHARGING MACHINE

Conner Bros. Motor Co., announces today the installation of a new and modern Battery charging machine at their garage on Simmons street.

The new machine charges batteries in eight hours, and this is quite an improvement over the old system which required from two to four days. The work of the new machine will not injure the battery in any way, it is said, and the saving of time should be an important factor for those who avail themselves of the new service being instituted by this battery station. Look up their ad in today's paper.

DEATH TOLL FROM WINFIELD TRAIN WRECK TO STAND AT ONE.

Winfield, Ala., Feb. 2.—Traffic was restored on the Frisco railroad Monday while Mrs. Elizabeth Northcutt, of Lexington, Okla., is dead and 21 persons injured as the result of a wreck near here early Sunday.

Two day coaches, one Pullman, a baggage coach and the mail car of passenger train No. 104, en route to Memphis from Birmingham, were derailed about two miles west of here. After leaving the track the first of the derailed cars crashed through a small trestle and was badly damaged. The engine and two rear coaches were not derailed.

Practically every physician in the vicinity of Winfield rushed to the scene immediately after the wreck and administered aid to the injured persons until a special train could be brought from Memphis to transfer them to the Amory hospital. The body of Mrs. Northcutt being held in Winfield pending funeral arrangements. Mrs. Northcutt was enroute to her home after visiting friends and relatives in Winfield. She is survived by her husband and three small children. The children were on the train but escaped injury.

FARRIS SELECTED HEAD OF BUTLER HIGH SCHOOL.

Greenville, Ala., Jan. 31.—Professor J. J. Farris, Jr., was today selected as principal of the Butler high school at a meeting of the county board of education.

Professor Farris has been head of the institution since it was established, and he has, with the assistance of his co-workers, and of the excellent student body, made the school one of the outstanding high schools of Alabama. The school is a member of the Southern Association of Accredited High Schools and ranks among the first in Alabama in percentage of pupils who enter and complete the courses, in attendance, and in punctuality.

There is no other high school in Alabama which has made a better record in athletic activities and in the excellency of the school spirit on the parts of the pupils and patrons. The school is in able hands under the leadership of Professor Farris and his friends have accorded him congratulations.

Misses Jessie and Rushie White, of Samson, spent the week end in Elba as the guests of Mrs. H. Larkins.

jurisdiction for the trial of criminal cases and a jail is provided in that territory, a prisoner cannot be transferred from a jail in that territory to a jail in other territory, nor can he be taken out of the jail and confined in another place without an order from the circuit judge, except in emergencies, for which provision is made by statute.

G. H. WISE, WELL KNOWN CITIZEN, DIED SUNDAY AFTERNOON.

Friends throughout Elba and this section were deeply grieved to learn of the death of Mr. Gappa H. Wise, which occurred at his home here Sunday afternoon. Mr. Wise had been in bad health for several months, but was in bed only a few days preceding his death. During Friday and Saturday it became evident that his condition was critical and all hope for his recovery was abandoned.

Mr. Wise was one of the best known citizens in this section, having made this home for many years, where he has been engaged in several business enterprises. At the time of his death he was connected with a local mercantile establishment, Wise & Company. He had hundreds of friends throughout the county who are indeed sorry to learn of his demise.

He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Wise, prominent Coffee citizens, who survive him together with a number of brothers and sisters. He is also survived by his wife, Mrs. Alma Wise, and two children, James and Bonnie.

The funeral services were held at the family home on Monday afternoon being conducted by Rev. F. M. Lowrey. The body was laid to rest in Evergreen cemetery.

We join their many friends in extending sympathy to the bereaved family and loved ones.

ELBA ICE PLANT REDUCES COLD STORAGE PRICE.

Mr. Leon K. Pulliam, owner of the Elba Ice and Cold Storage Company, announces a reduction in the price of his cold storage bins, in another column of today's paper. Farmers of this section who have not yet investigated the many advantages offered by the cold storage plant, should do so at once. The price at which the bins are now offered is as low as any storage plants in this section, and the bins have a larger capacity than some plants.

The farmers of this section need not lose any of their meat on account of weather conditions, if they only take advantage of the cold storage offered them by Mr. Pulliam. He would be very glad to have you visit the plant and let him show and explain the matter to you fully.

FOUND—Saturday night, Jan. 31, in Devane Bros. store a bill of money of large denomination. Owner can get same by paying for this ad and writing to C. B. Rowell, 1923 Highland Ave., Montgomery, Alabama.

Mr. and Mrs. K. C. Grissett announce the arrival in their home last week, a baby boy.

Mr. Leon A. Boyd, of Boydville, Ga., spent a few days in Elba last week.

Miss Johnnie B. Rushing, of Samson, was the guest of relatives and friends here Sunday.

Dr. and Mrs. J. C. McLeod, of Opp, visited relatives here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. S. Rainer and children, of Arlton, spent the week end with relatives in Elba.

Mrs. Hightower, of Brundidge, is spending a few days in Elba this week with Mrs. Jack D. Lee.

J. J. Warren, of Elba, and Mrs. J. T. Warren, of Enterprise, spent the week-end here with Mrs. E. M. Warren who has been quite ill, but is reported much better today.—Troy Messenger.

Fertilizer Meetings Last Week Big Success;
1000 Tons Bought On Co-Operative Plan;
Agent Gives Good Fertilizing Suggestions

Luckily we found a few days that were not rainy ones, and we held some fertilizer meetings at Elba, Kinston and Enterprise. The meetings were well attended, and Mr. M. H. Pearson, District Agent from Auburn said that all the meetings were tip top in interest and results. Orders were taken for close to 1000 tons of fertilizer, mostly acid phosphate and muriate of potash, the soda orders having already been placed. This gives us an increase of over 300 per cent tonnage over 1924 orders, including our 1000 tons of soda bought this year. Totals for 1925 are nearing the 3000 ton mark now for Coffee County, as compared with 1000 tons handled in 1924.

Recommend More Soda, Phosphate and Muriate Per Acre in 1925.

Last year the recommendations of the best farmers in S. E. Alabama who had co-operated with the Experiment Station at Auburn for 13 years in local fertilizer test work were not less than 200 pounds acid phosphate, 100 pounds muriate of soda, and 50 pounds muriate of potash; one fourth of the soda mixed with phosphate and muriate and applied at planting and other three fourths applied as a side dressing when cotton was chopped. That was the least any farmer could afford to use per acre for cotton. Now if you want to know how much you can afford to use for best profits notice the following mixture:

400 pounds acid phosphate, 200 pounds nitrate of soda and 100 pounds muriate of potash, applied just as in the case of the other mixture, one fourth of the soda mixed with the acid and muriate and applied at planting, and the other three fourths of the soda applied as a side dressing after cotton has been chopped. In 1923, a very bad year for cotton, this last and biggest mixture yielded an average of one-half bale cotton per acre in all counties in S. E. Alabama where tried, and last year gave an average of over 1000 pounds seed cotton per acre on all farms using it. We sincerely trust that each and every farmer will try this last mixture of 700 pounds on at least a few acres and find out for yourself how much it pays.

Corn and Peanut Fertilizers.

The experienced farmers in S. E. Alabama in co-operation with the Alabama Experiment Station at Auburn in conducting local fertilizer tests for the past thirteen years clearly indicate that corn needs no fertilizer except soda applied at the rate of 100 pounds per acre when the corn is about knee high. For peanuts 200 pounds of acid phosphate is the only recommendation. No other fertilizers have found to pay a profit.

Cotton Seed.

The tests that have been made by the farmers of S. E. Alabama for several years past in co-operation with the Alabama Experiment Station show that Cook with resistant cotton yields the biggest gain in dollars. There are any number of Coffee County farmers who have these seed pure, which we ordered for them last season, and a postal card to the County Agent will put you in touch with a number of these men from whom you can buy these seed at a reasonable figure.

Mrs. L. A. Boyd, of Montgomery, was the guest of her daughter, Mrs. F. H. Murphree in Elba the first of the week.

Mr. G. W. Caldwell, prominent Coffee County farmer, living on New Brocton, Rt. 1, has been announced winner of the third prize in the contest with test plots of cotton under the American Cotton Association's boll weevil control campaign conducted last year.

Farmers in eleven weevil infested states contested for the prizes, which totaled \$2,000, offered by the American Cotton Association in its Southwide boll weevil control campaign. These contests are conducted according to instructions from the Association, and while hundreds of farmers competed there were only fourteen prizes awarded, and these were distributed over seven different states. We publish below the winners in contest No. 1, in which Mr. Caldwell participated, giving the details of the contest in each case:

First prize—H. F. Fulbright, Eastman, Ga.; \$350.00. No. 8 acres; total lint yield, 6359 pounds; cost of production, \$301.19; net profit per acre, \$167.70; lint yield per acre, 794.8 pounds.

Second prize—L. L. Hill, Commerce, Ga.; \$200.00; No. 5 acres; total lint yield, 3640 pounds; cost of production, \$289.10; net profit per acre, \$127.37; lint yield per acre, 681.4 pounds.

Third prize—G. W. Caldwell, New Brocton, Alabama; \$150.00; No. 7 acres; total lint yield, 4351 pounds; cost of production, \$334.67; net profit per acre, \$127.16; lint yield per acre, 621.5 pounds.

Fourth prize—D. H. Monroe, Emerson, Ga.; \$100.00; No. 8 acres; total lint yield, 5058; cost of production, \$479.91; net profit per acre, \$121.46; lint yield per acre, 648.8 pounds.

Fifth prize—E. R. Campbell, Duck Hill, Miss.; \$100.00; No. 5 acres; total lint yield, 2770 pounds; cost of production, \$168.00; net profit per acre, \$118.24; lint yield per acre, 554 pounds.

Sixth prize—J. L. Covington, Jonesboro, N. C.; \$100.00; No. 7 acres; total lint yield, 3833 pounds; cost of production, \$400.55; net profit per acre, \$90.69; lint yield per acre, 547.5 pounds.

An analysis of the reports indicates the maximum yield of lint to be 844 pounds, while the minimum was 547 pounds, with an average for all the fourteen reports, of 635 pounds lint per acre.

The maximum net profit per acre was found to be \$178.25, while the minimum was \$90.69 an average for the fourteen farms being \$129.19.

The area planted and cultivated under the contests was from 5 to 8 acres for each demonstration farm.

Hundreds of farmers entered the contests and the returns showed highly profitable results in every case, according to the records.

Those interested in studying the detailed methods of planting, fertilizing, culture and poisons used on the demonstration plots will be supplied in pamphlet form by addressing The American Cotton Association, Boll Weevil Control Campaign, St. Matthews, S. C.

CARD OF THANKS.

We desire to express our thanks to the many friends who so kindly assisted us during the illness and death of our loved one. Every deed of kindness and expression of sympathy was greatly appreciated.

Mrs. B. N. Rowe & Children

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OPELIKA SECURES COTTON MILL FROM NORTH.

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Much interest has been aroused over the state by the announcement that the Popperell Manufacturing Co. will move a unit of their cotton mills from Middleford, Maine, to Opelika, Ala. This is a part of a movement of cotton mills south which has been going on for several years. A prominent textile manufacturer recently stated before a public meeting that the cotton mill industry in the New England states was doomed. He said that they could not compete with the southern mills and that the people in these northern states must turn to some other industry.

Opelika gave the Pepperell people \$500,000.00 as a bonus and contributed \$10,000.00 towards the purchase of a site. For a small city this was considered by some as pretty high but Opelika people will get it back in increased payrolls, increased real estate values and advertising which is incalculable. The products of the Pepperell Mfg. Co. are known the world over and wherever they are sold, the name of Opelika will be stamped on them. The company has asked for a 300 acre site which indicates big development for the future.

Keep the children in school until the end of the last day.

Talk it over with your county agent or your home demonstration agent.

The entire boll weevil tribe is not dead. Don't kid yourself by thinking so.

More than a fourth of the Swedish-born farmers in the United States are in Minnesota.

Have you planted those oats? Feed will be scarce and high next spring and summer.

Poorly prepared soil for the growing plant is like poorly prepared food for the growing child. The soil is the plant's source of food and if it grows off well proper preparation is essential.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

Under and by virtue of executions issued by the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Coffee County, Alabama, against O. S. Gatlin and in favor of Pitts Shoe Co., Cyrus W. Scott Manufacturing Co., Cerebon Bros. Co., Midland Rubber Co., Tulsa-Gamble Hardware Co., McCulley-Suttle Co., and Kahn Manufacturing Co., I have levied upon and will sell, at Kingston, Alabama, to the highest cash bidder, at public outcry, within the legal hours of sale, on Saturday, January 31st, 1925, the following described personal property, to-wit:

One stock of goods, wares and merchandise, including store-furniture and iron safe, adding machine, and typewriter, and scales, in the storehouse in Kingston, Ala., occupied by defendant, and in which he has heretofore carried on a mercantile business.

Said property will be sold to satisfy said executions as far as possible, and the costs and expenses of the sale, including printer's fee.

Done, this 20th day of January, 1925.

W. H. WATKINS, Sheriff.

The above sale is hereby postponed until Monday, February 2nd, 1925.

W. H. WATKINS, Sheriff.

DO THAN COFFIN FACTORY DESTROYED BY FIRE.

Dothan, Ala., January 31.—

Fire of unknown origin completely destroyed the Dothan Coffin and Casket factory this morning about 2 o'clock, entailing a loss estimated at about \$75,000, only about half of which amount was protected by insurance.

The fire was discovered by the night watchman about two o'clock and the alarm promptly turned in to the fire department. By so rapidly discharging the fire department arrived on the scene the entire plant was a roaring blaze and the dry lumber stored in the plant made such a hot blaze until fire fighting was almost futile at the distance it had to be attempted. Nearly eighty thousand feet of pine, cypress, poplar and cedar lumber had just been brought into the plant from the dry kiln and stacked. It was this lumber which made such an intense heat.

The factory was a corporation owned by C. J. Faulk, G. H. Malone, A. Y. Malone and E. R. Malone and was proving to be one of Dothan's most promising industries. C. J. Faulk, the manager, stated that temporary quarters would be secured and the business continued with as little hindrance as possible. This is their busiest season of the year and orders were booked for several weeks ahead.

The building was a two story wooden structure with walls of corrugated iron. Mr. Faulk stated that the company would rebuild at once and with a better building.

NEWS FROM McCOLLOUGH.

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May I have a little space in The Clipper for McCollough News. The health of our community is very good.

Mr. John Langham has been real sick but is improving now. We regret to hear of the death of Mr. Comer Nell's wife a few days ago.

The people of this community are hauling their Irish potatoes and getting ready to plant McCollough shipped about 30 car loads of Irish potatoes last summer.

Messrs L. C. Demwell, T. J. Shiver and P. L. Greene made a flying trip to Brewton Friday.

We regret to learn of the death of Mr. Selmer Hall's little girl a few days ago.

The people of this community are planning to build a new Church at Jack Springs.

Mr. Hent Coon has been working with Mr. W. I. Shiver in Atmore.

Miss Inez Roberts visited Miss Elsie Mae Hall last Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Bray spent last Sunday with Mr. Cane Murphy and wife.

Miss Bertha Roberts spent last Saturday night with Miss Alma Bray.

Miss Lella V. Beasley made a business trip to McCollough Friday afternoon.

Miss Dotie McGee visited her sister, Mrs. Bertha King, last Thursday.

Mr. C. F. Murphy, Sr., died with his daughter, Mrs. S. E. Bray last Thursday.

Mr. J. W. Bray has had his house repaired.

The school of our community is progressing nicely.

We are sorry to learn that the high school building at Atmore burned a few weeks ago.

Mr. W. H. McGee made a business trip to Atmore last Thursday.

Mr. Odis Wise has had a spell of pneumonia, but is able to be up again.

Mr. L. Z. Folmar, of Hadley, was down at McCollough on business.

Misses Ida Donaldson and Julie Donaldson visited Miss Inez Roberts last Sunday.

Miss Vannie Lee Bangham visited Saturday afternoon with Miss Dotie McGee.

Mr. T. Hooks from Mobile has been visiting his father-in-law, Mr. J. W. Bray.

Miss Alma Bray spent last Sunday with Miss Bertha Roberts.

Mr. J. T. Wilson from Tennessee visited Miss Inez Roberts last Saturday night.

— Brown Eyes.

Waive notice in 10 cent hooks at Clipper Office.

ED HOWE'S DIAGNOSIS OF WHY WE'RE HELL-BOUND

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They say this country is going to hell. We are idling too much, quarreling too much; spending too much time.

Adults are crazy and young people too smart.

There is too much golf, too many automobiles, too much jazz in foot and head.

Millions of people are drinking bootleg whiskey not good for them and think it smart.

We have many other habits equally as bad.

For one thing, we are condemning the reactionists when they are precisely the men we should put in charge of affairs.

I have a friend who has been credited several years with owning his own home. He sold it the other day and after he had paid the mortgage, the accumulated interest and back taxes he still owed nine dollars.

Too many of us own our homes that way; too many business houses are controlled by owners like my friend, who had two automobiles and rode in them almost constantly to the neglect of his affairs. He fell heir to a good business from his father, but wrecked it by membership in foolish clubs, by being an automobile enthusiast, by taking too long vacations.

We have the modern live wire. A good fellow, this man.

He complained to the bitterly when he said goodbye.

The modern spirit, this pep thing, this live wire thing, got him.

It isn't the country, that is going to the devil; it's the people. We're having too good a time and not working and saving enough. We've lost control of our children; they are not being properly taught; if we do not ourselves behave, our children will not.

There is just one power that can save us. The newspapers. I appeal to the editors: fine fellows all. Quit criticizing the country; jump the people. They're running away.

We have the same country we've always had and it is all right, but we have a different people. They're too progressive; too idle; they have a lot of new ideas and there is no sense in them.—From E. W. Howe's Monthly.

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PROF. HORSCECE DELIVERING LECTURE TO 5000 LISTENERS:

A-w-k! A-w-k! Grrr "In this advanced age the merchant or business man that depends wholly upon friendship or 'they know where I am' system for custom usually has plenty of time to cogitate, ruminate vegetate and, in many instances, abdicate.

"BARGAINS are not found in houses of silence.

"The merchant that advertises can sell for less because he sells more, consequently his goods are always fresh.

"Not long ago a merchant told us he would not advertise because if he did he'd have to hire more clerks and he couldn't AFFORD THAT.

MORAL—Patronize advertisers. Never Force a man to hire More Clerks!"

THE ELBA CLIPPER

The "Know How" Print Shop.

Divorces are more numerous in the western states where women are scarce, than in the eastern states where women outnumber the men.

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Colds, Grippe, Dengue, Headaches, Constipation, Biliousness

It is the most speedy remedy we know

NOTICE TO SELL REAL ESTATE.

State of Alabama, Coffee County. In Probate Court, Elba Division.

Ex Parte: W. R. Spurlin, et al. Petitioners.

Under and by virtue of an order and decree of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, rendered on the 3rd day of January, 1925, by undersigned Commissioner, will sell to the highest bidder for cash, in front of the Court House Door in Elba, Coffee County, Alabama, within the legal hours of sale on Monday, the 9th day of February, 1925, the following described real estate, to-wit:

SW 1/4 of NE 1/4, E 1/2 of SW 1/4, Section 27; 20 acres on North side of NE 1/4 of NW 1/4, described as follows: Beginning where the Public Road crosses the forty line between the NW 1/4 of NE 1/4 and NE 1/4 of NW 1/4, running along the line of said Public Road on the North side due East two acres long, thence due North one acre; thence due West two acres back to the forty line; thence due South along said forty line to starting point, Section 34, all in Township 6, Range 20; also 8 1/2 of NW 1/4 and SW 1/4 of NE 1/4, Section 8, Township 6, Range 20, all the above lands lying and being situated in Coffee County, Alabama; and also one lot in the Town of Elba, Coffee County, Alabama, and described as follows, to-wit: One Lot, fronting Yalberton Street. One Hundred Feet and running back Two Hundred Six Feet parallel with Davis Street.

Said lands will be sold for cash for division among the joint owners and heirs of John W. Spurlin, deceased.

The undersigned commissioner has been appointed by an order of the Court to make the above sale.

M. A. OWEN, Commissioner.

W.B. Purdy



The man who wakes up famous hasn't been asleep.

A BANK ACCOUNT IS A PACIFYING THING.

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The experience of those who keep a bank account bears testimony to this statement.

No man ever regretted anything about his account in a good bank except that the account was not larger. And when a man has an account at a good bank there is an incentive to make it grow, that he otherwise would not have.

"ASK THE MAN WHO HAS ONE!"

—adv

ORDER OF PUBLICATION.

State of Alabama, Coffee County. In Circuit Court, in Equity.

Vera L. Henderson, Complainant, vs W. M. Henderson, Respondent.

In this cause it being made to appear to the Register by affidavit of Complainant's attorneys that the Defendant is a non-resident of Alabama, and that his address is unknown, and further that in the belief of said court, the Defendant is of the age of twenty-one years; it is therefore ordered by the Register that publication be made in the Elba Clipper, a newspaper published in Elba, Coffee County, once a week for four consecutive weeks, requiring him, the said W. M. Henderson, to plead, answer or demur to the Bill of Complaint in this cause by the 15th day of February, 1925, or in thirty days thereafter a decree Pro Confesso may be taken against him.

Done at office in Elba, Ala., this 15th day of January, 1925.

J. W. ENGLISH, Register.

NOTICE TO EX-SERVICE MEN.

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Hon. J. Fred Johnson, Jr., Commander of the American Legion of Alabama, has requested me to call a meeting of all the World War Veterans in this section for the purpose of organizing an American Legion Post at Elba, Alabama.

We have set Saturday night, February 14, 19

Read This Good News

From now on, you can have your Battery charged in 8 hours, instead of 2 to 4 days as formerly.

Our One-Day Constant Potential System puts Batteries in perfect shape in a few hours without harmful effects. Saves you money, gives you the use of your own Battery instead of an uncertain rental. Gives you a better, longer lived charge. Call at our shop for Testing, Water and One-Day Battery Service.

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ELBA, ALABAMA.

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All bins now \$12 per year in advance.

Elba Ice & Cold Storage Company.

LEON K. PULLIAM, Owner.

BURGLARS GET \$4,000 OUT OF BESSEMER SAFES.

Birmingham, Ala., Feb. 2.—Burglars last night gained admittance to two leading Bessemer business establishments, opened safes, and are believed to have escaped with approximately \$4,000.

Children must have a square deal if they are expected to deal squarely.

Antisthenes when asked what was the most needful branch of learning answered that it was to learn one's bad habits.

The importation of pins into England was forbidden in 1480. They were expensive and, with ladies at that time, "pin money" was a consideration.

"A balanced ration costs very little" more and gives about double the gain of corn alone for growing or fattening pigs.—J. C. Gumb, professor of Animal Husbandry, Auburn.

The Irish River Shannon, famed in song and story, is about to be harnessed to produce electrical energy for the industry of New Ireland.

Form

your own opinion of the quality of printing we turn out by looking over the samples we will be glad to show you. There is nothing in this line that we can't do to your entire satisfaction. High-class printing creates a good impression for you and your business.



Consult Before You Work Out of Town

Yes, cooperative buying and home mixing of fertilizer both pay well.

FOUR HORSEMEN, RIDING AT MIDNIGHT, STAR-TLE CAPITOL.

Montgomery, Ala., Feb. 1.—The "Four Horsemen" are abroad in Montgomery. Not the four horsemen of the novel by Ibanez, but a more modern and Southern variety. They ride at midnight, leaving notes at various homes, with warnings to the inmates that they must get rid of certain social conditions said to exist about the premises.

Their last visit was made Friday night. Coming from nowhere, apparently, the four riders left their notes at some houses in the residential section and then withdrew quietly. Police have no clue, they say, and no arrests have been made.

TWO NEGROES MEET VIOLENT DEATH AT TROY.

Troy, Ala., Feb. 3.—Jim McNeil, a negro boy 13 years old, was killed Sunday afternoon by a shot from a shotgun. He and another small negro boy were playing at his home near Pea river, when in some way the gun fired and McNeil was shot in the abdomen. The accident happened about noon and the boy died a few hours later. No accurate report has been obtained as to the manner in which the gun was discharged, but no arrests have been made.

Jealous because he discovered Emma Carter, nee, with another man, Michael Croford, a negro employee of the county, struck her over the head with an iron mallet and killed her instantly. The killing occurred about 9 o'clock Sunday night.

Croford went to the woman's home and when he saw Bradberry, flew into a jealous rage. He struck Bradberry down with the iron and then ran after the woman who had fled into the alley between East Academy and Walnut streets.

Her skull was crushed by the blow and her left arm, which she evidently threw up to protect her head, was broken. As soon as he saw that his victim was dead Croford made good his escape. When officials arrived on the scene about 200 negroes had collected, but the dead woman had not been touched. Bradberry was not seriously hurt.

Ben Mitchell, a local negro, is in jail charged with setting fire to the home of John Warren, a negro who lives about three miles from Troy on the Elba road. The house was completely burned Saturday night about 11 o'clock.

The negroes had been mad for some time. A quart bottle containing a small quantity of gasoline was found near the house.

For the Best Mattress and Furniture UPHOLSTERING

In S. E. Alabama, Write PINCKARD MATTRESS CO., Pinckard, Alabama.

According to a report from the bureau of census, there were 19,329 bales of cotton ginned in Coffee county prior to January 23, from the crop of 1924, as compared with a total of 11,352 bales ginned to the same date from the 1923 crop.

Of the 52,000 names of towns and post offices in the United States, forty-three appear more than twenty times each.

There is a lot in the kind of seed we plant. Only good seed will produce the best varieties should be planted.

Don't guess—measure. Many a good recipe has failed because a "level" cup was "heaping."

Don't hold your breath and fear the worst when you get your cake in the oven. Use a thermometer and be certain.

The oldest of all pyramids antedating the great Giza pyramid by 300 and 500 years, is the step pyramid of Sakkara, twelve miles south of Cairo.

Papa's Pipe Stem.

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CHURCH OF CHRIST Bible Study and Lord's Supper each Lord's day. Ladies Meeting each Tuesday afternoon at 4 P. M. Prayer Meeting Wednesday nights of each week. Preaching Second and Fourth Sunday of each month.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Sunday School, every Sunday morning, 9:45 o'clock. P. A. Symonds, Supt.

METHODIST CHURCH Preaching every Sunday, at 11:00 A. M. and 7:00 P. M. F. M. Lowrey, Pastor. Sunday School at 9:45 a. m. E. F. Blocker, Superintendent. Prayer Service, Wednesday evening at 7:00 o'clock.

There was a boy who, when he went off to college, always wore the number 3 on him somewhere, and over his desk that same figure was hung, and in his books "I am third" was written on the fly leaves. He was such a fine boy that every one was curious to know what the significance of the mysterious number meant. His explanation was this: "I have determined to put God first, the other fellow second and myself third."

That boy had the key to life, both present and future. Wherever anybody fails to make himself third, he fails to understand what the church stands for.

A supper given to the Workers' Council on Friday night, they agreed to have a church social in the Sunday school rooms on Friday night, February 13th, at 7 o'clock.

Every member and his friend to attend this general get-together. We want the entire family which means all the children and their parents to attend this community meeting. The presiding elder and some other out-of-town people will probably be there to give interest to our meeting. Keep this in mind.

We extend sympathy to the family of Brother Gap Wise, who was buried from his residence on Monday afternoon. There was a beautiful floral tribute, and a large number of friends to witness the solemn ceremonies. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Alma Wise, a daughter, Bonnie, and a son James, besides a host of other relatives.

We are glad to note that Miss Nettie Flournoy is at home again after being in school at Auburn.

Remember that the first quarterly conference for the year will be held on Monday, February 16, at the church. Dr. Hurt will preach on Sunday.

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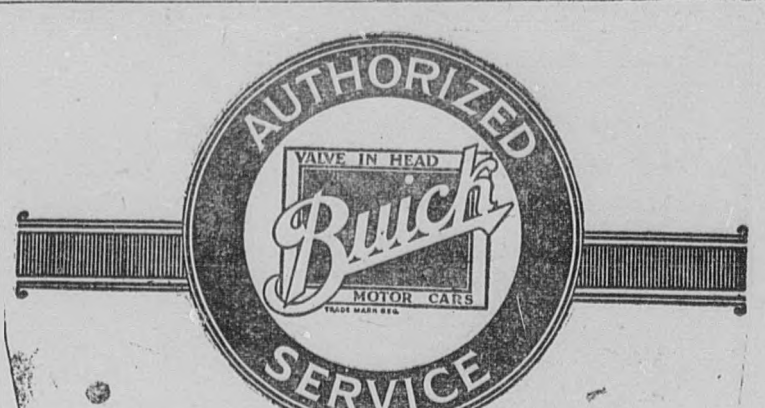
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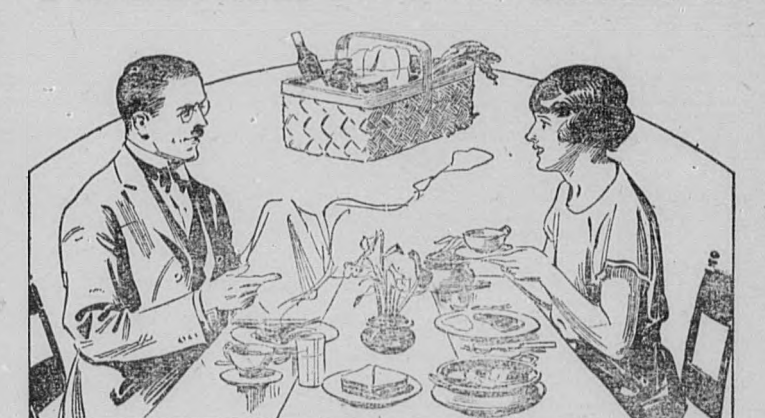


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TROY, ALABAMA

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Naturally a wife's first thought when shopping for Food is what will my husband like best for Breakfast, Dinner or Supper?—and you can come to this store knowing that you will be able to select from the choicest viands the market affords. Yet our prices are very reasonable.

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Elba, Ala.



Use High Analysis Fertilizer and Make every acre do its best.

Years ago our forefathers made bumper crops without the aid of commercial fertilizers. That was when the lands were new and rich in plant food. That day has passed, just as sure as the successful farmer is getting away from the use of low analysis fertilizer and replacing it with the higher.

WHY? LESS Labor. LESS Hauling. LESS Freight to pay. LESS Bags to handle. LESS Bags to buy. MORE Time to fight insects. MORE Plant food. MORE Profits.

Make your 1925 crops a success by using High Analysis Fertilizers 12-4-4 or 15-5-5.

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VOLUME XXVIII.

Old Timer Makes Visit To Elba; Uncle-Hez Hankins Writes Very Interesting Letter To The Clipper About His Recent Visit Here

Good Farmer Likes This Progressive City and Its Live Merchants—Praises It As A Cotton and Produce Market.

By gosh! I didn't know Elba was such a bizzzy little town, but I can tell you it's all right and a plum good one.

Me and Liza and the kids had been working hard all the fall and winter and got together a bunch of country produce and a lot of cotton we had to sell. So Liza sez to me one nite, we mite as well sell the things right now an get 'em often our minds.

We had been readin' along about the markets and frum what we could gather by word of mouth and thru the Elba Clipper, we decided that Elba wuz about the best-market in reach, and Liza decided, she allus does the decidin, for the amby, ease and the fact that better half, as how I'd better hitch up ole Beck and Jude to weuns horseless-kerridge and drive a few lodes or ruther pull a few lodes—oh yes, I mean drive the mules and let 'em pull a few lodes uv produce and cotton to Elba to sell at once.

Well, we had to pass thru 2 or 3 other towns an all them there store merchants run out an tried to stop Beck and Jude right thar so we'd stop in that town, but we jest axed the price of cotton and produce and cum on. And so we driv on agin till we divv'er Elba. I got \$675 and some odd cents for my cotton and produce and stuff, and as I knew Liza would want to know wher all that money went to, I made all my final reports to my ole woman. I thought I hed better put them greenbacks in the First National Bank and draw checks as I traded with the merchants. Liza sez a check that you draw was as good as a receipt and the First National Bank was strong enough to hold my stock. It's no wonder they git lots of work to do because they please their customers. All work is guaranteed. No chawt even if the steam presser on the steam kiln all kinds uv girms.

Then there ortymobiles shore do luk swell an run ort. Sim an me was past by sends of em on our way to town an we caught up agin with one of em a short ways out town stuck in a hole. We pulled the feller out an then he couldn't git the blame thing started. So we jest drug him to Conner Bros. Garage. Bless Pete, them boys jest tickled his ribs a little an fittened up sum curcyes here an there an then twisted its tail with a hard yank an blin the contrary thing humped up an began to rattle natchel like. An the fellers eyes jest laffed when Mr. Conner tole 'im whut the charges wuz. Conner Bros. Motor Co. gives a hour battery service—charges the batteries high an the customers low—an handles Prest-O-Lite Batteries an Miller Tires, well as other accessories for kars.

Skereed, I reckon I wuz!! The ole barn caught on fire a little while back and a couple nity nits gettin burnt out "ole stock and barrel" an me in debt an "thout any fire insurance. Ant' never gonna be caught that way no more, the Russ Insurance Agency—they insure against everything but the hereafter—git me up a policy for \$2,000 on our home an furniture sees we won't be worried so in esse we was to git burned out. They rites all kinds uv insurance—fire, tornado, hail, automobiles, act-ual life, and Bility an they represent sum of the oldest an biggest buyin 1 of them good En-

THE ELBA CLIPPER

ELBA, ALABAMA, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12TH, 1925.

COLORED SCHOOL FAIR TO BE HELD IN ENTERPRISE, FEB. 27-28.

The annual fair for the colored schools of Coffee County will be held at the Coffee County Training School, in Enterprise, on Friday and Saturday, February 27 and 28, according to announcement just made by school officials in charge of the work.

There will be Industrial and Classroom exhibits from the colored schools of the county, and exhibits of sewing, canning, poultry, livestock and agricultural exhibits from the colored people generally. Prizes will be awarded to the schools for the best exhibit.

Quite a number of interesting speakers have been secured to address the meetings during the two days, and the fair promises to be a very interesting one. The colored people give their white friends a special invitation to visit them during their fair.

Mr. Gussie Wyrosdick was called to the home of his father, who lives near Victoria, Wednesday night on account of the serious illness of "Uncle John," as he is known by his many friends in the county. The last report from Mr. Wyrosdick was that he is resting well, but his condition is considered serious.

After finishing up my motor, skeler, bring I found I had about \$175 still left in my jeans so I went run to the First National Bank and had all of this money put in a bank and I mean my jeans in case of accident. I had it put in that time deposit. I knowed I'd be safe thar and I could be drawn on any time. No axin' wuz nobody could rob me of it thar and it mite do some uv my nabors good whut might want to borrow. No axin' wuz the best place to keep your money in a bank and not hid out round the house sommers. Liza's stockin has a hole in it, but we can't risk that no longer. Ant' right, Liza?

I don't mind spendin a nite away frum home if I git a good bed to sleep in and I knowed thar is a very nice place when me and Sim stop at the Brick Hotel. A good bed ant' all neither. Mr. Garrett keeps nice clean rooms. Both these gentlemen are well known in the business circles of Elba and have many friends who wish them much success.

MR. AND MRS. KENDRICK MOVE BACK TO ELBA.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Kendrick who have been living in Dothan for the past several months, returned to Elba last week, and will in the future reside in the city. Their many friends are giving them a very cordial welcome back to their old home.

Mr. Kendrick and Mr. J. G. Wyrosdick have formed a partnership and are engaged in the mercantile business in the store formerly occupied by Mr. W. W. Lewis on the West side of Court Square.

The new firm has an announcement in today's paper, inviting their friends and customers to visit them. The gentlemen are well known in the business circles of Elba and have many friends who wish them much success.

MRS. ENGLISH HOSTESS TO FIVE HUNDRED CLUB.

A lovely party was given by Mrs. English Friday afternoon at her home on Buford Street, when she entertained the Five Hundred Club. The party was very successful and the guests were beautifully decorated with a profusion of narcissus and ferns. Games were played at three tables.

After the games the hostess assisted by Mrs. H. C. Johnson served a delightful salad plate. Mrs. Tom Hutchison was a guest on this pleasant occasion.

P. T. A. WILL MEET THIS AFTERNOON.

The regular meeting of the Parent-Teacher Association will be held this afternoon at 3:15 at the school auditorium. An interesting program will be carried out, and all members of the association, as well as any others interested, are urged to be present at this meeting.

Mrs. John Armor and Mrs. George Morrow, Jr., left Sunday for a visit to Mrs. Edd Hay in Donaldsonville, Ga.

Mrs. Frank Blair, Miss Hazen Jones and Messers Leo Lane and Grady Rhodes were visitors at Andalusia Sunday.

NEW THEATRE WILL OPEN FRIDAY WITH "THE COVERED WAGON"

Elba's new movie theatre will be opened tomorrow, Friday, according to announcement made in today's paper, with one of the best pictures that has ever been produced—"The Covered Wagon." It will be remembered that this picture was booked here for a run early last month, but on account of the fire which destroyed the theatre, the picture could not be shown.

The new theatre has been put in first class shape for the opening, every detail having been looked after carefully, and the announcement that it will be ready to open on tomorrow will be received with interest. All equipment in the new theatre is of the very best quality, and movie fans are assured a good show.

The manager of the theatre, Mr. Henry Spurlin, made special plans in order to have the "Covered Wagon" for his opening show. This picture, one of the best that has ever been shown in the Southeast, has been shown wherever it has been shown. The picture will be shown here Friday and Saturday, both in the afternoon at 3:00 o'clock and at night at 7:30 o'clock. Popular prices have been announced for this picture.

Announcement has also been made that a Radio Receiving Set will be installed at the new theatre, and patrons will have the pleasure of listening in on some of the best musical programs broadcasted. This, no doubt will be a very interesting part of the program each night at the show.

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Less Acres to Cotton And Heavier Fertilization Says Agent; Every Farmer Should Use 700 Pounds On a Few Acres Under Cotton

The most successful farmers with whom we have talked during the past ten years, tell us the best way to determine number of acres to plant in cotton is to first figure on your labor and land, the largest acreage you could handle if you have had in several years, and from rain, sickness, etc., then divide this maximum possible acreage by two and this will give you the correct number of acres to plant in cotton. This means if a man on a certain farm with his labor could work twenty acres in cotton provided everything ran smoothly, he should cut this acreage in two, work it well, fertilize heavily and he will make more money in the end.

Every Farmer Should Use 700 Pounds of Fertilizer On a Few Acres Under Cotton.

During the past two years the farmers in Southeast Alabama, in cooperation with the Alabama Experiment Station have found that 400 pounds acid phosphate, 200 pounds nitrate and 100 pounds muriate of potash pound under cotton. In 1923, a bad rainy fall weevil year, those who used this mixture averaged a half bale cotton per acre, while the average in Coffee County was around a bale to ten acres, and we made better cotton than a large number of counties in Alabama. This proves conclusively that heavy fertilization in the right proportions is the best insurance against the bad crop year and the boll weevil. Last year was a good cotton year and this 700 pound mixture averaged close to a bale per acre on every farm where used in Southeast Alabama. The bad years however are the ones to use a heavy application because they will succeed in keeping from him till that eventful hour. Plates were marked by "favors" suggesting the profession of each guest. The pastor, not knowing exactly what would represent his plate, stopped facing a donkey, but a livestock dealer pushed him on up the line till he came to a figure of the "cloth."

CLIPPER HAS A SPLENDID CLUB OFFER; MAP IS GIVEN FREE.

The Clipper has just made arrangements for one of the best subscription clubbing offers in the South. The price of which is an announcement of the offer can be found on page two of this paper. Two offers are made in the announcement. The first being a one-year subscription to The Clipper, a three-year subscription to the Southern Ruralist, the price of which is \$1.75, and a large four-page Dixie Wall Map is given free. The second offer is a one-year subscription to The Clipper and a one-year subscription to the Ruralist, for \$1.50, with the Map free.

SURPRISE BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR MR. HARRIS.

Mrs. J. W. Harris, in collusion with Byrd Mitchell, W. P. Perdue, Dana Perdue, Harris Murphree, Diamond Pierson, Gus Kelly, Dr. Mercer Rowe, Joe Morrow, H. C. Johnson, Boyd Murphree and F. M. Lowrey, gave her husband, Mr. J. W. Harris, a surprise birthday party, February 5th, on his birthday anniversary. This was a real surprise, which even his wife succeeded in keeping from him till that eventful hour. Plates were marked by "favors" suggesting the profession of each guest. The pastor, not knowing exactly what would represent his plate, stopped facing a donkey, but a livestock dealer pushed him on up the line till he came to a figure of the "cloth."

MRS. CONNER HOSTESS TO TEA CLUB.

Mrs. Claude Conner was hostess to the Tea Club Friday afternoon, from three to five, at her home in Brunson, Town. The living room was attractively decorated with cut flowers and ferns. The afternoon was most pleasantly spent in needle work and conversation.

Mrs. Conner, assisted by Mrs. Walter Whitman served a delicious salad course with hot tea. When the repast had been enjoyed to the fullest extent, the climax was reached by the ushering in of the birthday cake filled with lighted candles, and following this was a great bundle of telegrams, special delivery letters and congratulations from friends in different sections of the South. These were handed to the pastor who read them to the assembled guests.

At a late hour the guests departed, leaving good wishes and love for the host and his wife, who have journeyed so long on life's pilgrimage together, and with whom more mile posts may be passed by them. —F. M. L.

SEED PEANUTS FOR SALE.

Good runner seed peanuts; picked on picker and in fine condition; for sale at \$1.00 per bushel. See J. D. or W. J. Gatlin, Elba, Ala., Route 5.

MRS. COOPER ENTER-TAINS MUSIC CLUB.

The Senior Music Study Club was delightfully entertained at the home of Mrs. R. L. Cooper Thursday afternoon. A beautiful program comprised of musical numbers and readings was rendered.

A short business meeting was presided over by the efficient president, Mrs. Mercer Rowe.

POOR ORIGINAL